



DISCOVERY ACADEMY NEWS

Attendance

Days off school add to lost learning

175 NON SCHOOL DAYS

Excellent Attendance	Good Attendance	Satisfactory Attendance	Requires Improvement	Persistent Absence	Severely absent
0 days off	4 days off	6 days off	9 days off	15 days off	95 days off
100%	97% and above	Between 95% and 96.99%	Between 90% and 94.99%	Below 90%	Below 50%

This week's attendance is **94%**

Class	Average	Class	Average
Nursery	97%	Year 3	95%
Reception	87%	Year 4	96%
Year 1	90%	Year 5	96%
Year 2	93%	Year 6	97%

Reminder

Gates open at 8:45am and close at 8:50am. After 8:50 pupils must enter through the office as late.

'Cuppa and Chat'

Parent/Carer Engagement Events

The 'Cuppa and Chat' events are an open forum for parents/carers, Tameside SEND staff, and local area partnership representatives to discuss parents' experiences and concerns regarding SEND services.

Date and Time	Location
Monday 9th December 2024 @ 10am	Itrain Dukinfield
Friday 14th February 2025 @ 11am	Active Oxford Park
Wednesday 30th April 2025 @ 2pm	Cromwell school Café
Thursday 5th June 2025 @ 1pm	Active Hyde
Monday 14th July 2025 @ 10am	Active Copley Stalybridge



TESCO grant competition – voting required

Our school have been shortlisted for the Tesco stronger start competition. We entered the ballot to request funding so we can offer our pupils an improved standard of food technology lessons.

The competition will be decided via an in-store vote. When a purchase is made in the below Tesco stores you will be given a token to place into the voting boxes. Our school will have a designated box.

If successful we propose to purchase cooking equipment and food supplies, which will enrich our pupils healthy eating, learning and cooking abilities.



Glossop Large SK13 8HB
Hyde Stockport Express SK14 5RF
Denton Mancunian Rd Express M34 7NP
Hattersley Extra Large SK14 6QA
Hadfield Station Rd Express SK13 1AR



Voting opens in stores from mid-January 2025 to end of March 2025.

TESCO colouring competition

The winners of the TESCO colouring in competition are

Nursery – Nahla

Reception – Sophie

Year 1 – Penelope

Year 2 – Kai-Luca

Year 3 – Sebastian

Year 4 – Sienna

Year 5 – Amelia

Year 6 – Hallie

TESCO have also kindly donated a candy cane to all the children in the school.

Year 5 TESCO singing performance

On Wednesday Year 5 went to TESCO and performed a selection of Christmas songs. They managed to raise £61.23 for school. Thank you to everyone who donated and a massive WELL DONE to Year 5!

Reading hero

Nursery	Max	He continuously reads at home and loves to share books in class.
Reception	Casper	For reading lots at home
Year 1	Emberleigh	For using super prosody in her reading and reading at home consistently
Year 2	Jonah	Jonah has been trying extra hard in his reading sessions. He is trying his best to sound out the words and is using his phonics knowledge more than ever. Well done Jonah.
Year 3	Harley	This half term Harley has been using the resources provided to him to support his reading across the curriculum. Not only has this supported him with his knowledge but has also given him the confidence to read out loud to the class on a number of occasions. Keep up this positive attitude to reading Harley!
Year 4	Harvey	For always reading in the classroom and completing his reading journal without being asked!
Year 5	Ethan	For your improved confidence in reading and for smashing your Year 5 reading quiz. Keep it up!
Year 6	Alfie	Alfie has worked very hard with Mrs. Medcalf this term to improve his reading! He is speaking to us about his learning from reading and should be very proud of his progress!

CHILD OF THE WEEK

Each week the teachers celebrate the achievements of all children but give special recognition to some children to receive the Child of the Week award.

Nursery	Amelia	For inspiring us. Amelia really impressed us this week with her beautiful Christmas craft work. She has taken her time and you can see this in her work.
Reception	Yosuf	For Improving: his talking in class, joining in with whole class talking and using his speech in play to communicate with friends.
Year 1	Miya	For Achieving: This week Miya performed so well in her phonics check and has shown us that she knows so many new digraphs and tricky words.
Year 2	Kai-Luca	For Achieving & Improving – Kai has more focused this week. Even with the crazy Christmas activities and changes in the timetable, he has coped well and taken time out when he needed it. Well done Kai.
Year 3	Eloise	For Caring- Eloise has been supporting her peers with their knowledge in different subjects throughout the half-term and is always willing to support her friends.
Year 4	Jenson	For Achieving – Jenson has been working hard this week with his Christmas crafts and had such a lovely positive attitude in the classroom.
Year 5	Bridget	For inspiring: Bridget is always ready to help, always ready to learn and always smiling! You have been super helpful this week and we really appreciate it.
Year 6	Finley	For caring and inspiring – This week, Finley has been a massive support in year 6 when helping Mrs. Medcalf prepare all of our amazing Christmas crafts! Thank you for all your help!



Lunchtime award

Each week the midday assistants celebrate the achievements of all children but give special recognition to some children to receive the lunchtime award.

Nursery	Isaac	For always being kind
Reception	Freddy	For being well behaved and kind
Year 1	Kaylan	For always having good table manners
Year 2	Lucia	For always being kind and polite
Year 3	Sebby	For kind and getting along well with everyone
Year 4	Harvey	For always being polite and willing to help
Year 5	Ashley	For Superb manners and a great attitude
Year 6	Isobel	For being kind and polite

After school club child of the week.

Each week the teachers celebrate the achievements of all children but give special recognition to some children to receive the Child of the Week award.

EYFS & KS1	Tommy	Tommy is kind and polite at After School Club. He always cheers us up and makes us laugh.
KS2	Brodie	Brodie is quiet and polite and cares for others. She is always willing to help adults during After School Club.

WELLBEING STARS

Each week we work on developing skills regarding mental health and wellbeing with the children. This certificate celebrates those who have shown a great understanding in this week's focus for their class.

Nursery	Everyone in Nursery	For being so kind and caring. Every time an adult enters our room we always smile and have good manners and love to give big hugs.
Reception	Jacob and Xander	For improving their play and relationships with others. Super play learning alongside their friends in Reception Class.
Year 1	Diego	For caring: This week Diego helped his friends in our art lesson, talking them through the printing technique and making sure they were ready for the task.
Year 2	Lucia	Lucia stood in at the last minute to say a line in our Christmas performance. She was brave, confident and clear. Well done Lucia, thank you for standing in for a friend. You were amazing!
Year 3	Noah B	Noah's confidence and positivity was shown to all when he stood up during the Pantomime performance earlier this week and joined in with the dancing, with a huge smile on his face.
Year 4	Katie	Katie has been very helpful in the classroom this week and very supportive to her peers. Keep up the positive attitude!
Year 5	Mia	For having the courage and confidence to sing loud and proud at Tesco during our visit there on Wednesday.
Year 6	Gabriella	This week, and the whole of this past term, Gabriella has shown nothing but our caring value! She is always supporting her friends and checking in on everyone, always with a smile!